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No. 25-5055

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT**

CATHY A. HARRIS, in her personal capacity and in her official capacity as
member of the Merit Systems Protection Board,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

SCOTT BESSENT, in his official capacity as Secretary of the Treasury, et al.,

Defendants-Appellants.

On Appeal from the United States District Court
For the District of Columbia, No. 1:25-cv-00412-RC
Hon. Rudolph Contreras, J.

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NEW YORK, NORTH CAROLINA, OREGON, RHODE ISLAND,
VERMONT, WASHINGTON, WISCONSIN, AND
THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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The undersigned respectfully requests that the Court enter her appearance as counsel for all amici States.

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